

PUBLIC WORKS
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DRAINAGE REMINDERS

- Do not place or blow lawn clippings or leaves into the streets.
- The trash haulers will pick up unlimited amounts of yard waste if properly packaged.
- 30 gallon cans marked with a **X**, or paper yard waste bags are acceptable containers.

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Hemlock St. / US 40 Intersection Improvement

In April the council awarded a contract to Bruce Concrete Construction of Granite City for the improvement of the Hemlock Street / US 40 intersection. The project will construct turn lanes on US 40, east and west bound, as well as a turn lane on Hemlock Street between the railroad crossing and US 40. This project is scheduled to begin the week of June 17th.

During the construction, in addition to lane restrictions on US 40, motorist can expect the Hemlock Street railroad crossing to be closed for approximately one month. Please use caution and patience when traveling through the construction area. The project is expected to be completed by the end of August.



Cross Connection Control Program

The backflow prevention survey that you received in your most recent utility bill is part of the City of Highland's Cross-Connection Control Program. The Cross-Connection Control Program in Illinois is one of several tools intended to protect water consumers in the state. The statute establishes that "no person can threaten a water supply and that water supply officials are responsible for protecting their water mains from connections that have the potential to allow the backflow of contaminants into their respective distribution systems."

The Illinois EPA considers a viable

program to consist of an ordinance, an ongoing survey of the distribution system service connections, identification of at risk service connections, and that recognized risks are checked annually by a licensed plumber who has been certified as a Cross-Connection Control Device Inspector (CCCDI).

Once the surveys are returned they are checked to ensure that we are aware of any connections that will need to be checked annually to ensure that backflow prevention devices that are currently in place continue to work as intended. Letters are sent to each of these customers

in May and results are due back in our office in October.

The City's ordinance lists penalties for a violation to be anything from disconnection of water service to fines and being liable to the city for any expense incurred due to the violations.

Please take the time to fill out the survey, results are due by the end of August. If you currently have a backflow prevention device in place, make sure you have your annual inspection by a CCCDI certified plumber and that those results are returned to the Public Works Department by October 25th.